

ANCESTRAL ROOTS™ AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

The Delmore Buddy Daye Learning Institute (DBDLI) is pleased to announce the second ***Ancestral Roots™ Awards: Recognizing Young Adult Leaders***. This ceremonial event recognizes young, up and coming, community-centered leaders of African ancestry who are helping to shape and positively influence their respective communities.

The Ancestral Roots™ Awards pay tribute to under-acknowledged, yet exceptional, young adult leaders of African ancestry to help drive continued growth within our African Nova Scotian Communities.

How to nominate a young adult leader of your community:

All nominations must include a *one to two-page detailed letter* (min. 500 words), attached to the nomination form, describing the accomplishments of the nominee. It is important to use specific and concrete examples that illustrate why the nominee is deserving of recognition. (e.g. who has benefitted from the work of the nominee and how has the nominee positively influenced their community?) In addition to the *nomination form* and *detailed letter*, nominators must include a *letter of endorsement* from a non-related community leader and/or organization. You are welcome to send an example of the nominees work for this category for further validation.

Nominees Must:

1. Be between and including the ages of **19 to 30**.
2. Self-identify as a person of African ancestry.
3. Have historical and/or current connections to one of the 54 African Nova Scotian communities.
4. Have contributed and/or contributing directly or indirectly to the growth of their community through the means of the category for which they are being nominated.

INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. ONLY THE DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WILL GO FORWARD FOR REVIEW TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE.

ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 29, 2020 BY 11:59PM:

ATTN: Chanae Parsons, DBDLI CYIP
The Delmore Buddy Daye Learning Institute
5450 Cornwallis Street
Halifax, NS, B3K 1B3

Or **Email** to: ancestralrootsawards@dbdli.ca Or **Fax** to: 902-407-6263

For more information about the Ancestral Roots™ Awards, feel free to contact the *Coordinator of Youth Initiatives and Projects*, Chanae Parsons, at 902.407.3200 ext. 205 or email chanae.parsons@dbdli.ca

APPLICATION

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Contact Number: _____

Please indicate which *African Nova Scotian community* the Nominee is ancestrally and/or has current connections to:

PLEASE CHECK WHICH AWARD YOU ARE SUBMITTING FOR (CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS ATTACHED):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Business/Entrepreneur |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Written/Visual Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Developing Young Leaders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Spirituality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science & Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Engagement |

NOMINATOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Tel. Number: _____ Cell/Work Tel. Number: _____

Preferred Method to be Reached: _____

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST:

- Nomination Form
- Detailed letter demonstrating qualifications (minimum 500 words)
- Letter of Endorsement
- Additional documentation

THE EXTENDED APPLICATION DEADLINE IS **FRIDAY MAY 29, 2020 at 11:59PM**

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AWARD CATEGORIES

Justice: This is awarded to an individual who is demonstrably a part of and/or leading solutions to mitigate community violence, crime, unfair treatment, and social injustice.

Education: This is awarded to an individual who is facilitating the learning of others and/or is in the process of continuing their education and/or developing skills and applying that knowledge to the greater good of their community.

Arts: This is awarded to an individual demonstrating and/or leading excellence in various forms of the arts including:

1. **Performing Arts:** Spoken word poetry, live performance/performing arts, theatre, music, and/or dance.
2. **Written and/or Visual Arts:** Artistic illustrations/paintings, creative writing, written poetry and prose, creating stories, academic literature, etc.

Health: This is awarded to an individual who is pioneering the health industry. This individual may be working in a related field, raising community awareness of health issues and/or overall health and wellness.

Sports: This is awarded to an individual who is involved in and demonstrates leadership in competitive physical activity and/or organized sports. The individual can be an athlete, coach, organize and/or create sporting activities for youth/community.

Business/Entrepreneur: This is awarded to an individual who may be promoting, organizing and/or operating his/her own business or businesses, which ultimately serves the greater good of the community.

Community Service: This is awarded to an individual leading and or participating in innovative, voluntary work intended to help people and/or animals in need within their immediate community.

Developing Young Leaders: This is awarded to an individual who has opened many doors and created opportunities for younger generations within their community. This individual is regarded as a leader and looked upon as a role model to those junior to them.

Spirituality: This is awarded to an individual who contributes to and conveys the values connected to African Nova Scotian communities through faith and worship.

Science and Technology: This is awarded to an individual who is involved in and/or have unique achievements and have demonstrated outstanding work in various activities that relate to STEM fields, particularly science and technology.

Civic Engagement: This is awarded to an individual who participates in political decision-making and/or is an active member of a political party or group that is working to affect positive change within their community.